



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application. No. : 10/015,573
Title : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DETECTING FAILURES AND
RE-ROUTING CONNECTIONS IN A COMMUNICATION
NETWORK

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AMENDMENT/REPLY

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2005.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and,

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.